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The requested Examiner's Amendment as discussed between the Examiner and the Applicant's attorney Steven Mills is attached to this communication.

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**EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An Examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to Applicant(s), an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**A)** Please amend original claim 9 as follows:

9. (Currently Amended) a method for coding an image signal comprising:
- (a) wavelet transforming an input image signal;
  - (b) constructing a vector having a tree structure in the horizontal direction, in the vertical direction, and in the diagonal direction, using the wavelet transformed result;
  - (c) setting the diagonal direction vector as a basic vector and generating a plurality of error vectors by performing a calculation on each of the horizontal direction vector and vertical direction vector with respect to the basic vector;
  - (d) scanning the basic vector and error vectors according to different methods;
  - (e) generating a first codebook for the scanned basic vector, quantizing the scanned data using the first codebook, and outputting the quantization result as the index of the first codebook; and
  - (f) generating a second codebook for the scanned error vectors, quantizing the scanned data using the second codebook, and outputting the quantization result as the second and third indices of the second codebook; wherein
    - in step (a) a wavelet transform is performed so that the low frequency sub-band of the image signal is decomposed in a 2D region; and[.]
    - in step (c) the error vectors are generated by subtracting the horizontal direction vector and the vertical direction vector from the basic vector.

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**REMARKS:**

Claim 9 has been amended as above, as approved by Applicant's attorney, Steven Mills (36,610) by telephone on 5/24/2005.

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the Examiner should be directed to Shawn S. An whose telephone number is 571-272-7324



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